

December 20, 2011

Dear Craft Distillery Licensee:

The purpose of this e-mail is to update you on a number of I-1183 issues.

Price Calculator

First, many of you have requested assistance with the pricing of spirits and clarification when fees and/or taxes are due on a sale. A pricing calculator can now be found on our website at http://www.liq.wa.gov/transition/fact-sheets.

Revised Fee Payments

Second, we would like to provide an important update to the joint I-1183 letter from the Liquor Control Board and the Department of Revenue dated December 6, 2011. In this letter, we stated that beginning December 8, 2011, when selling directly to retail customers, you must pay both a 10% distributor license fee and a 17% retail spirits license fee on your gross spirits sales. After further review of the initiative language, we have determined that the 10% distributor license fee is not due on sales to retail customers. You only need to collect the 17% retail spirits license fee on these sales. We have removed the new form LIQ-112 from our website to make this revision and will replace it with a revised form in the near future. An announcement will be sent out once we post the new form.

Distiller Forum Coming Soon

Lastly, we are planning a distiller forum to discuss and answer questions about the implementation of I-1183. This meeting will be held in Seattle early in the new year. Look for an email in the next few days with the specifics.

Sincerely,

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